

**CITY OF BROOKINGS  
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
City Hall Council Chambers  
898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415  
May 22, 2000  
7:00PM**

***I. CALL TO ORDER***

Mayor Bob Hagbom called the meeting to order at 7:05PM.

***II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE***

***III. ROLL CALL***

Council Present: Mayor Bob Hagbom, Councilors Larry Curry, Keith Pepper, and Frances Johns, a quorum present.

Council Absent: Student Ex-Officio Councilors Shiloh Thom and Cindi Peterson, excused

Staff Present: City Manager Tom Weldon, Finance Director/Recorder Gail Hedding, Fire Chief William Sharp, Police Chief Ken Lewis, Community Development Director Leo Lightle, and Administrative Secretary Sharon Ridens

Media Present: Chuck Hayward, Curry Coastal Pilot

Other: Parks and Recreation Chair Craig Mickelson, Chamber of Commerce President Richard Gyuro, Augie Kofot-Vice President Businesses for a Better Brookings, Curry Transfer & Recycling Manager Pete Smart, Port Manager Russ Crabtree, ODOT District 7 Assistant Director Lee Sparks, and approximately 20 other citizens.

Mayor Hagbom called for Agenda Item No. V.A. - Scheduled Public Appearances, out of order, so that the youth involved in this matter would be able to return to school commitments for the evening.

Hagbom introduced Dave Manzella from the Curry County Health Department, who in turn introduced Students Mary Ball-840 Cameo Court, Brookings; Eve Campbell-P.O. Box 7302, Brookings; and School District Nurse Holly Hoenke, 16708 Thompson Road,

Brookings. The students presented information from a random survey study for Curry County which provided evidence in support of an ordinance that would limit self service sales of tobacco products. Manzella advised the Council twelve stores in the Brookings-Harbor area were surveyed and eight of the twelve had self serve displays. Nurse Honeke, and students noted Brookings would not be the first to consider this type of ordinance in Oregon, not to mention across the nation, and asked for the Council's support in passing an ordinance to restrict the sale of tobacco to minors. Mayor Hagbom confirmed the major problem areas with which the students were concerned for purposes of ordinance writing and adoption. After a few questions and answers, the Mayor and each Councilor commented on their personal concerns and support of this issue.

Mayor Hagbom asked for audience comments. Richard Gyuro, 810 Chetco Ave, Brookings, spoke as a prior smoker, but now a 40 year non-smoker, would definitely support the idea of our city looking into this ordinance. He stated "we" as tax payers pay for this eventually and in the interest of the community, the Council needs to at least look into the issues.

After thanking the students for their hard work, Mayor Hagbom summarized the discussion and asked staff to proceed on an ordinance for Council to consider.

#### ***IV. PUBLIC HEARING***

Mayor Hagbom recognized Finance Director/Recorder Gail Hedding's new appointment to the Board of Trustees of Sutter Coast Hospital. Hedding thanked the Mayor and stated she is looking forward to making a contribution to the health care delivery system that serves the citizens of this area.

##### ***A. 2000/2001 Fiscal Year Budget***

Finance Director/Recorder Gail Hedding reported that the budget committee had approved the budget on April 26, 2000, and tonight was the time for the Council to hold the 2000/2001 Fiscal Year public hearing on the proposed budget.

Mayor Hagbom recessed the Common Council meeting at 7:30PM.

Mayor Hagbom called the Public Hearing to order at 7:30PM.

There was no comment from the staff or council present. Hagbom asked for audience comments.

Richard Calkins, 941 Helen Lane, Brookings, asked what was the line item for the City Manager's salary and shared his concerns for providing an adequate salary for attracting the best possible new City Manager. Hedding provided answers for

his questions, and will send him a copy of the approved minutes from the recent meeting regarding City Manager recruitment.

Russ Crabtree, 920 Midland, Brookings and Ken Byrtus, 320 Mill Beach Road, Brookings, spoke supporting the Klamath Coalition. They asked the Council to expand the City's participation to support these activities. Byrtus added "in kind" services would gladly be accepted for the Port's "Kite Festival" in July. Discussion ensued, with the Council stating they would taking the request in consideration.

Don Nuss, 808 Pioneer Rd, Brookings, thanked Mayor Hagbom on his comments regarding the \$20,000, set aside for downtown. He asked to be able to address optional changes in the bed tax contract with the Chamber coming up for renewal in August, 2000. Hagbom noted there had been conversation regarding reviewing the contract with the Chamber in relation to the bed tax, and no rate increase had been discussed, but this could be part of the review.

Pedro Alaniz, 950 Kinwood St, Florence, Oregon, spoke regarding a liquor license application and was advised it would be further along on the agenda.

*B. Proposed Uses of State Revenue Sharing Funds*

Mayor Hagbom asked Finance Director/Recorder Gail Hedding to explain the proposed use of State Revenue sharing dollars. Having done so, Mayor Hagbom asked for comments or questions from the public and Council. There were none. Hedding advised the matter would return for the June 12, 2000, meeting for final adoption.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:53 PM.

The Common Council meeting reconvened at 7:53PM.

**V. SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

- A. Youth anti-smoking Issues presented by BHHS Students Heather Cavaness, Mary Ball, and Eve Campbell*  
Addressed prior on agenda.

**VI. ORAL REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

- A. Committee and Liaison reports*  
*1. Chamber of Commerce*  
Chamber President Richard Gyuro, 810 Chetco Ave, presented the Mayor

with a new Azalea Festival T-shirt, carrying the motto of this year's theme of "Sandcastle Days... Lighthouse Nights and a picture of a "registered" lighthouse. He proceeded with a report on the upcoming festival status.

2. *Businesses for a Better Brookings*

There was no report.

3. *Port of Brookings-Harbor*

Port Manager Russ Crabtree, 920 Midland Way, Brookings reported on the current and future projects at the Port of Brookings Harbor. He stated the Port of Brookings Harbor prides itself in being progressive, providing 32 jobs, and supports the need for a paid economic development director. The Curry Economic Development Association provides seed capital locally and is self-perpetuating. Crabtree then gave an update on the boat basin project with mid-summer as target date. Permits have been extended until June 30<sup>th</sup> so as to have completion in a legal, timely manner. He stated he sees many future plans which will help the economic development of the community and lead to an all events center, which is currently on the drawing board.

4. *Council Liaisons*

Councilor Johns reported on the Azalea Middle School Character Education program.

Councilor Pepper reported on the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting and activities.

Councilor Curry advised he had attended the Coos-Curry-Douglas Economic Development Corporation's annual board meeting and had passed the balanced budget, elected officers, and accepted new members.

Mayor Hagbom reported about the county's lack of participation in SWACT. To support their resolution to support SWACT, the County has appointed Dan Crumley (County Road Master, as Robert's alternates).

Mayor Hagbom acknowledged audience member Assistant District Manager of ODOT District 7 Lee Sparks and thanked him for the work ODOT had accomplished regarding the crosswalk downtown by the Redwood Theater, along with highway signing efforts and safety issues on the south-end of the Chetco River bridge.

B. *Unscheduled*

Richard Caulkins, 941 Helen Ln, Brookings spoke in reference to his personal experience involving traffic and the significance of a speed change north of town on U.S. Hwy 101. He asked the Council for procedures to move the speed limit changed further down the road some 300 yards.

Lee Sparks, 3500 Stewart Parkway, Roseburg advised there is a current request to ODOT for moving the 45mph sign in process, but due to requirements of official engineering stamps and other minor red-tape procedures, it has not been completed. However, all the concerns mentioned tonight are in the requested issue. Councilor Pepper reminded the Council and advised Sparks, two years previously the City had asked ODOT to study the speed limits coming into the City of Brookings as issues to consider. However, the request was not official. Sparks advised he would check into the status of the left turn pocket north of town.

## ***VII. STAFF REPORTS***

### ***A. Fire Department***

#### ***1. Cape Ferrelo RFPD request for contract negotiations***

Fire Chief William Sharp presented a request for contract negotiations with Cape Ferrelo RFPD and asked for authorization to explore the possibilities.

**Councilor Pepper moved, Councilor Johns, seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to authorize staff to meet with Cape Ferrelo RFPD representatives to explore 1) Should the City contract with Cape Ferrelo RFPD for services, and if yes, 2) what should be in the contract?**

Sharp advised he will return to the Council with recommendations in a timely manner.

### ***B. City Manager***

#### ***1. Approval of golf course loan***

City Manager Weldon advised he did not have all the necessary papers for this matter, and recommended the Council not take action at this meeting. He will have it ready for the next meeting.

#### ***2. Parks and Recreation Commission recommendation***

City Manager Weldon reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission asked for a change in City Ordinance No. 93-0-482.A, regarding the length of time an elected officer can hold that position.

**Councilor Pepper moved, Councilor Johns seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to direct the City Manager to prepare an ordinance to eliminate term limits for the Parks and Recreation Commission.**

3. *Approval of liquor license request for La Flor de Mexico Restaurant - Pedro Alaniz*

City Manager Weldon recommended the approval of a new liquor license for the new owners of a Mexican restaurant downtown - La Flor De Mexico, Inc. He advised the owner was present to answer any questions. There was no discussion.

**Councilor Pepper moved, Councilor Johns seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to approve the liquor license request for La Flor de Mexico Restaurant.**

4. *Curry Transfer and Recycling rate increase*

City Manager Weldon acquainted the Council with Curry Transfer and Recycling's rate increase requests provided in the Council packets, and recommended the Council approve the resolution. Manager Pete Smart was present for questions. There was no discussion.

**Councilor Pepper moved, Councilor Johns seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. 00-R-673, along with the attached "Exhibit A", in the matter of approving rates for sanitation services to be charged by Curry Transfer and Recycling to customers in the City of Brookings.**

#### **VIII. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. *Approval of Council Meeting Minutes*

1. *Minutes of May 8, 2000, Regular Council Meeting*

**Councilor Johns moved, Councilor Curry seconded, and the Council voted to approve the May 8, 2000, Regular Council Meeting Minutes as printed, with Councilor Pepper abstaining due to his absence at that meeting.**

2. *Minutes of May 15, 2000, Special Council Meeting*

**Councilor Pepper moved, Councilor Johns seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to approve the May 15, 2000, Special Council Meeting minutes as printed.**

*(end Consent Calendar)*

**IX. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/FINAL ORDERS**

**A. Resolutions**

1. *Approval of Resolution No. 00-R-673, for accepting rates for sanitation services to be charged by Curry Transfer and Recycling to customers in the City of Brookings*

This resolution was approved previously under Agenda Item No. VII.B.4.

City Manager Tom Weldon requested an item be added to the agenda: Purchase of Police Administrator's Vehicle from U.S. Forest Service.

**Councilor Pepper moved, Councilor Johns seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to add the purchase of a Police Administrator's Vehicle to the Agenda.**

Weldon reported on the research by Police Chief Ken Lewis regarding an immediate opportunity to purchase a 1995 Chevrolet Caprice police vehicle, as surplus equipment, from the U.S. Forest Service in Klamath Falls, Oregon for approximately \$5,500, and asked the Council to approve resolution for the purchase. Discussion ensued.

**Councilor Johns moved, Councilor Pepper seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. 00-R-674 in the matter of a resolution exempting from Competitive Bidding the Purchase of a Police Vehicle.**

**XI. REMARKS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILORS**

**A. Council**

Councilor Pepper clarified his understanding of the previously made comments made by citizen Don Nuss regarding \$20,000 in the budget. Pepper stated, "we have \$20,000 for next fiscal year for downtown development, which does not mean we are going to spend all \$20,000. We have not decided how we are spending it. There was no discussion in budget hearing on what that would be spent, nor have we identified how it will be spent."

Councilor Pepper also thanked Finance Director/Recorder Hedding for the "incredible" job on the budget preparations.

Mayor Bob Hagbom expressed his continued concerns regarding the direction the City is headed as to revenues and expenses and balancing those items in the future.

Councilor Johns asked everyone to come to the Azalea Festival during the upcoming weekend and that she hoped to see everyone there!

City Manager Weldon reminded the Council of their invitation to the Student City Council meeting on Wednesday, May 24, 2000, at 6:30, with Pizza for those participating at 5:30PM.

B. *Mayor*  
No further comments

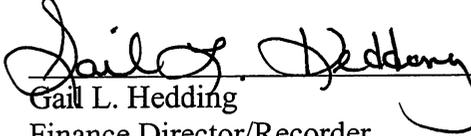
**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilor Curry moved, Councilor Johns seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:35PM.**

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Bob Hagbom  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Gail L. Hedding  
Finance Director/Recorder